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REPLY TO NOTICE OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the May 6, 2011 Notice of Notice Defective Response, Applicants submit the following arguments and respectfully request that the Notice of Defective Response be withdrawn and that a Notice of Acceptance and Official Filing Receipt be issued for this Application.

Applicants note that the above mentioned Application initially entered the National Phase in the U.S. on July 20, 2006. Applicants further note that according to PAIR (please see attached), upon entering the National Phase in the U.S. a copy of the Declaration of Inventorship from the International Application was filed. Applicants believe that this Declaration complied with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that:

the Declaration was timely filed in accordance with PCT rule 26ter.1 (37 CFR 1.497(a));

the four (4) named inventor's have signed and dated the Declaration (37 CFR 1.497(a)(1));

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the Declaration identified the International Application No. as PCT/IB2005/000339 (37 CFR 1.497(a)(2));

the four (4) named inventor's citizenship is clearly indicated (37 CFR 1.497(a)(3)); and

the Declaration was signed by the actual inventors (37 CFR 1.497(b)).

For these reasons, Applicants believe that the Declaration of Inventorship complied with the necessary requirements and is in accordance 37 CFR 1.497(c) and should be accepted as complying with 35 U.S.C. 3719(c)(4) and § 1.495(c) as stated in said rule. Applicants are providing a copy of the PAIR screen showing the Declaration listed as filed on July 20, 2006 and a copy of said Declaration for evidence of the filing.

If, there are any remaining unresolved issues that would prevent the Declaration from being accepted, the Examiner is urged to address the rule objections and to contact the undersigned at (540) 361-2601 in order to expedite prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,
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NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated Office (37 CFR 1.494):

- Priority Document
- Copy of the International Application filed on 07/20/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 07/20/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 07/20/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 11/28/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 08/31/2007
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 07/20/2006
- Assignment filed on 10/01/2007
- Priority Documents filed on 07/20/2006
- Power of Attorney filed on 04/06/2011
- Specification filed on 07/20/2006
- Claims filed on 07/20/2006
- Abstracts filed on 07/20/2006
- Drawings filed on 07/20/2006

Applicant's response filed 04/06/2011 is hereby acknowledged. The following requirements set forth in the NOTIFICATION of MISSING REQUIREMENTS mailed 04/03/2007 have not been completed.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - Declaration document appears to be a compilation of a number of separate declaration documents (the document includes one copy of the first page, one copy of the second page, two copies of the third page, and one copy of the fourth page). Where individual declarations are executed, they must be submitted as individual declarations, with a complete listing of all inventors.

Applicant is required to complete the response within a time limit of ONE MONTH from the date of this Notification or within the time remaining in the response set forth in the Notification of Missing Requirements, whichever is the longer. No extension of this time limit may be granted under 37 CFR

1.136, but the period for response set in the Notification of Missing Requirements may be extended under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

Registered users of EFS-Web may alternatively submit their reply to this notice via EFS-Web. https://sportal.uspto.gov/authenticate/AuthenticateUserLocalEPF.html

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Box No. VIII (iv) DECLARATION: INVENTORSHIP (only for the purposes of the designation of the United States of America)

The declaration must conform to the following standardized wording provided for in Section 214; see Notes to Boxes Nos. VIII, VIII (i) to (v) (in general) and the specific Notes to Box No. VIII (iv). If this Box is not used, this sheet should not be included in the request.

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